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SUBJ: CYPRUS PEACEKEEPING

1. JACOVIDES (CYPRUS) APPROACHED AMB BENNETT APRIL 25 TO ASK WHETHER THERE WERE ANY NEW DEVELOPMENTS ON CYPRUS PEACEKEEPING LIKELY TO AFFECT JUNE MEETING OF SC ON CYPRUS, I. E. WAS ANY MOVE AFOOT TO ABOLISH PEACEKEEPING FORCE OR CHANGE ITS BASIC FRAMEWORK. BENNETT RESPONDED HE DID NOT FORESEE MOVE IN JUNE TO TERMINATE PEACEKEEPING FORCE, BUT COMMENTED THERE WAS CONSIDERABLE INTEREST ON PART OF VARIOUS CONTRIBUTORS IN TAKING A HARD LOOK AT SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF FORCE WITH VIEW TO MAKING IT MORE EFFICIENT AND ECONOMICAL. BENNETT WENT ON TO SAY THAT THERE WAS CONSIDERABLE FEELING THAT WE SHOULD BE CAREFUL LEST CYPRUS FORCE BECOME ACCEPTED AS ROUTINE PERMANENT AFFAIR.

2. JACOVIDES SAID GOVERNMENT OF CYPRUS WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION TO REDUCTION IN FORCE IF STUDY INDICATED SUCH A DECISION TO BE DESIRABLE. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF FORCE
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WAS MATTER FOR LEGIMATE CONCERN AND DECISION BY CONTRIBUTORS, AND GOC WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION TO HAVING A SEARCHING LOOK AT THIS ASPECT OF THE MATTER. JACOVIDES HOPED HOWEVER THERE WOULD BE NO THOUGHT OF TERMINATING FORCE AT THIS STAGE.

HE WENT ON TO EXPRESS REGRET THAT INTERCT SAID HE BELIEVED IT COULD BE KEPT REASONABLY UNDER CONTROL BECAUSE OF BASIC DIFFERENCES AMONG NON- ALIGNED ON MANY ISSUES BEFORE UN BODIES. HE ADMITTED THAT ARABS, IN HIS WORDS, HAD LED AFRICANS AROUND BY THE NOSE ON TERRORISM ISSUE AND HAD SUCCESSFULLY EXPLOITED AFRICAN FEARS THAT LANGUAGE ON INTERNATIONAL VIOLENCE COULD BE APPLIED AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS. HE SAID IT HAD BEEN HARD TO MAKE DISTINCTION BETWEEN THE LANGUAGE DIRECTED AT PALESTINIAN VIOLENCE AND ACTIONS OF FREEDOM FIGHTERS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA. BENNETT EMPHASIZED THAT EFFECTIVE MEASURES AGAINST EXPORT OF VIOLENCE HAD BEEN AIM OF US EFFORTS IN TERRORISM DEBATE; HE HOPED OUR STATEMENTS IN RECENT SC CONSIDERATION OF ME VIOLENCE HAD MADE IT CLEAR THAT WE WERE SPEAKING OF TERRORISM LARGELY IN CONTEXT OF ME PROBLEM AND THAT WE HAD NO IDEA OF CONDEMNING LIBERATION EFFORTS IN AFRICA. HE STRESSED THAT PALESTINIAN EFFORTS WITHIN ISRAEL WERE ONE THING; WHAT US WAS ATTEMPTING TO PUT SANCTIONS ON WAS EXPORT OF VIOLENCE. JACOVIDES EXPRESSED VIEW THAT LATEST SC RESOLUTION WOULD BE HELPFUL IN FUTURE GA CONSIDERATION OF TERRORISM AND IN WORK BY COMMITTEE JUST APPOINTED UNDER TERMS OF 27 TH GA RESOLUTION. THE FIRST STEP OF CONDEMNING INTERNATIONAL VIOLENCE HAD BEEN TAKEN, AND RESOLUTION WOULD BE USEFUL AS REFERENCE AND AS STARTING POINT FOR FUTURE EFFORTS.

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